There are some default groups in Active Directory. Those groups are found in two containers: Builtin and in Users. The groups in Builtin are analogous to the local groups found on a Windows Server. The AD specific groups are instead found in the container Users.

All the groups have SIDs that are well known, and the same SID in every AD.

Both Builtin and Users are containers but not OUs. That is deliberate, because Group Policies can't be applied containers. So you can't accidentally apply a GPO to those containers.

In a sense the Builtin groups are a legacy feature, and many of the groups are not really appropriate. For example,

## **Builtin groups**

Operators

**Account Operators**